GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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VISIT OF BANGLADESH BUSINESS DELEGATION
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high powered business delegation from Bangladesh has visited India to explore the possibilities of increasing trade between Bangladesh and India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any agreement to expand bilateral trade relations has been signed;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the total export/import from Bangladesh during the past two years; and

(f) the expected trade volume with Bangladesh in the year 2003-04?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) to (d) : Do not arise

(e) to (f) : Figures available on India`s trade with Bangladesh are given below :

(Rs. Crores)

Year	Exports to Bangladesh	Imports from Bangladesh
2000-2001	3988.11	337.49
2001-2002	4494.07	281.94
2002-2003		
(April-Nov.) 2001-2002	2914.99	157.87
(April-Nov.)	3239.72	193.61

Source : DGCI&S, Kolkata